

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 294

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A RESOLUTION to confirm the appointment of Herbert H. Hilliard as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority.

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, creates the Tennessee regulatory authority; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101(a), provides that one (1) director of the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be appointed by the governor; and

WHEREAS, Governor Bill Haslam has re-appointed Herbert H. Hilliard of Memphis to serve as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority for a term that will expire on June 30, 2023; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hilliard was originally appointed to serve as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority by Governor Bill Haslam in 2012; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hilliard formerly served as executive vice president and chief government relations officer for First Horizon National Corporation and was responsible for the corporation's lobbying activities at the federal and state levels; and

WHEREAS, retiring from First Horizon National Corporation in 2012, Mr. Hilliard was a forty-three-year veteran of the company, having joined the bank in 1969 after earning a Bachelor of Business Administration in Personnel Administration and Industrial Relations from the University of Memphis; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hilliard currently serves as chairman of the board of directors of the National Civil Rights Museum and as a commissioner for the Memphis Shelby County Airport Authority; he also serves on the government relations council for the Tennessee Bankers Association and the Financial Services Roundtable; and

WHEREAS, a board member of BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee, which he currently serves as chairman of the audit committee, Mr. Hilliard served as chairman of the board for BlueCross BlueShield of Tennessee from 2000 to 2005; and

WHEREAS, he was chairman of the Memphis Housing Authority board from 1992-1993, 1987 chairman of the United Way general fund drive, and the 1988 chairman of the Annual NAACP Freedom Fund Dinner; in 2004, Mr. Hilliard was named one of the fifty most powerful African Americans in Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hilliard's extensive experience in both the public and private sectors will continue to be valuable to the Tennessee regulatory authority; and

WHEREAS, Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 65-1-101, provides that each appointment to the Tennessee regulatory authority shall be confirmed by joint resolution adopted by each house of the general assembly; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby confirm the appointment of Herbert H. Hilliard of Memphis to serve a six-year term as a director of the Tennessee regulatory authority, such term to expire on June 30, 2023.